

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

This listing of the pending claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in this application:

1-12. (Canceled).

13. (Currently Amended) A method of making a coated paper comprising:

providing a paper substrate;

preparing a slurry coating formulation including a cationic slurry comprising an alumina pigment, a wetting agent and a cationic interfacial modifier, wherein said alumina pigment is present at about 35 to about 45 percent by weight of said slurry, said wetting agent is present at about 0.5 to about 5 percent by weight of said slurry and said cationic interfacial modifier is present at about 2 to about 15 percent by weight of said slurry, wherein said cationic slurry has a total solids content of about 42 to about 72 percent by weight; and

applying said slurry coating formulation to at least one side of said paper substrate at a coat weight of about 2 to about 8 pounds per 3,300 square feet.

14. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 13 wherein said wetting agent is selected from the group consisting of monohydric alcohols, polyhydric alcohols, polyalcohols, polyols, facetylenic alcohol and combinations thereof.

15. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 13 wherein said cationic interfacial modifier includes at least one of a cationic dispersants and a cationic surfactants.

16. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 13 wherein said cationic interfacial modifier includes at least one of an aluminum hydroxychloride, a quaternary ammonium and an inorganic oligomer.